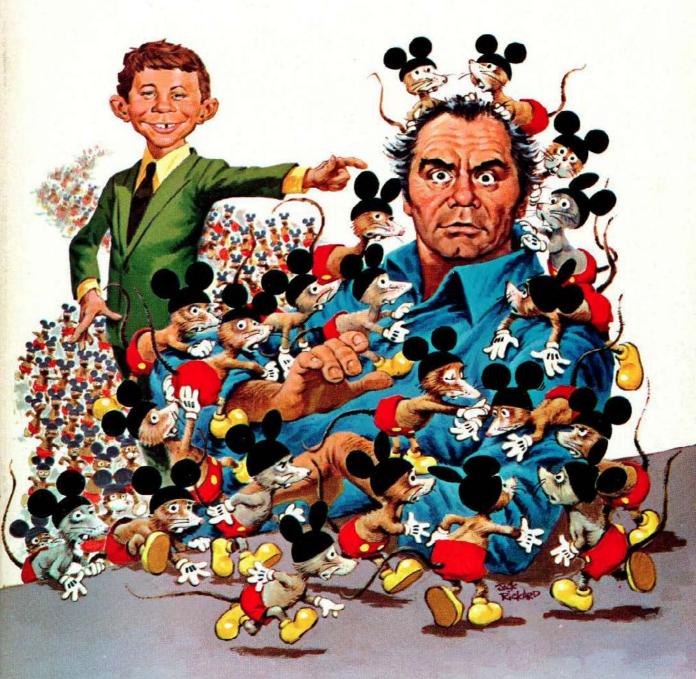
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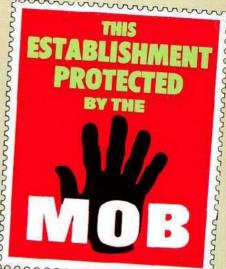
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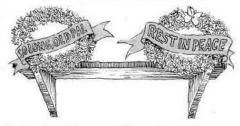
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#### MEET SUDHIR DAR

As you can see from the photograph, the reaction here to "Meet Sudhir Dar" has been rather mixed! Aw, these damn critics!! Everyone who has seen my feature in your issue has been struck dumb by the brilliant lettering of the title. No one believes it wasn't done by an Indian. Even I was fooled for a while. You guys are professionals to your fingertips. I only hope guest appearances in MAD aren't those once-in-a-lifetime flings. Can one do it again? Give it to me gently now. Some of us "under-developed" nuts have over-developed egos.

Sudhir Dar New Delhi, India

#### LITTLE DULL MAN

I found it hard to understand why you missed so badly with the satire of "Little Big Man". Perhaps if I hadn't seen the movie, I would have found the satire more amusing. The movie was primarily concerned with portraying as accurately as possible (and this indeed was a "first" for Hollywood and a milestone in the way of the traditional Western flick) the existence of the Indians and the atrocities they were forced to endure by our government. Whoever you sent to see the film has no ability to see through the secondary aspects of the plot. The fact that Dustin Hoffman was the main object of your wrath shows quite plainly that you failed to see him in a very good role as a type of updated choral commentator, a dramatic device as old as ancient Greek drama. You have certain obligations to the material to stay within the context of it.

David Heitner Wagner College Staten Island, N.Y.



One good showing deserves another, Sudhir. As for your appropriately lettered title,

it's another quiet coup for our incomparable Art Director, John Putnam.—Ed.

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#### NIXON & CUSTER'S LAST STAND

At your "Custer's Last Stand" press conference, none of the reporters inquired as to the role of the CIA, Counting Indians Accurately, in the action. Actually, through imperfect information, provided by his scouts, Custer figured his men could handle the "only 1,200 or 1,500 Indians" reported. Silverstone and Schild have created a biting parallel in this feature, exposing two eras of American History, in which the heads of State couldn't care less whom they sent to the Unhappy Hunting Grounds.

C. H. Ware Pine Bluff, Ark.

#### GALL IN THE FAMILY FARE

"Gall In The Family Fare" really recked! How can you satirize a satire, anyway? In all my years of reading MAD, this is the first time I've ever been disappointed in one of your articles. Don't you realize Archie Bunker shows how narrow-minded people can be even in this day and age? The people who can't see the humor in Archie arc the real problem.

Betsy Bangs Grosse Pointe, Mich.

It is appalling to think that the very same TV network that banned "The Smothers Brothers" would now come up with the most insensitive and controversial "comedy" series on the air. Thank you for opening our eyes to what this show really is.

Nancy Beiman Cranford, N.J.

#### MAD "NO!" COVER

I want to thank you all for that lovely large "NO!" on your cover. It's just perfect for the front of my refrigerator. And while the magazine helped to keep me in stitches, the cover is helping me to keep off the inches. Thanks again.

Masha Sinkevitch Los Angeles, Calif.

Your cover was another example of careless reporting by MAD. My girlfriend has been saying "NO!" to my marriage proposal for years.

Wayne Leake Orlando, Fla.

#### NIXON MONKEYSHINE

The back cover by Jack Rickard and Larry Gore is great! The question remains, did MAD make a monkey out of the President, or did we make a President out of a monkey . . . ?

Mike Shank Gonzales, La.

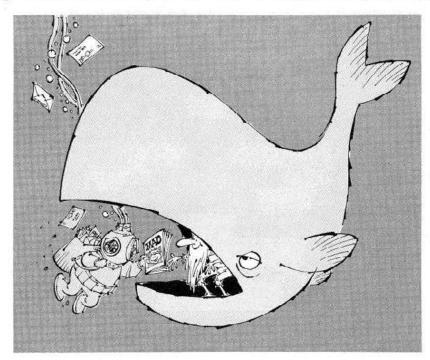
#### NEUMAN IN NEVADA

You've gone too far! I was recently on a trip cross-country and went into a bar in Las Vegas, Nevada. What, pray tell, did I see? An Alfred E. Neuman slot machine! It all goes to show MAD will take you any way it can.

M. Wize Flushing, N.Y.

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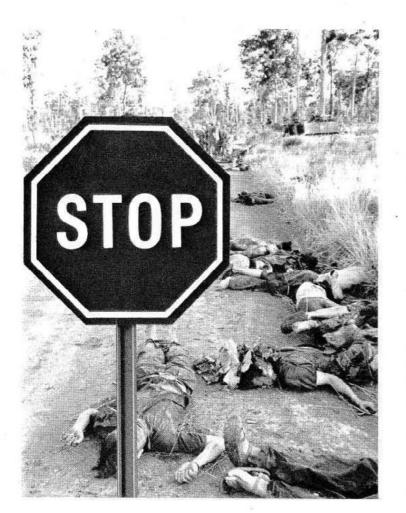
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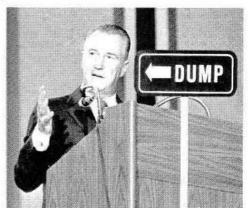
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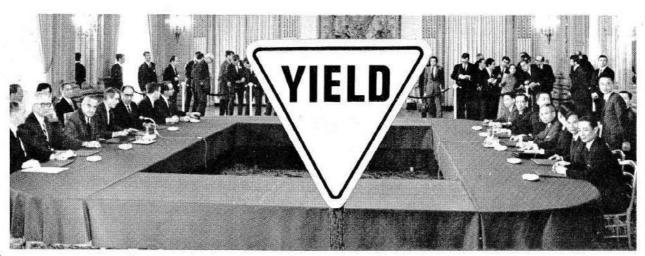


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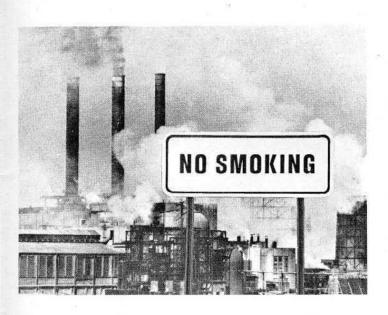






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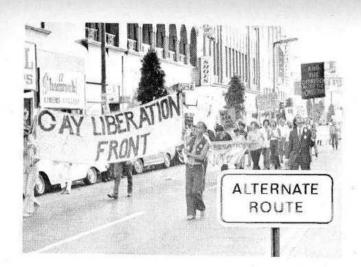
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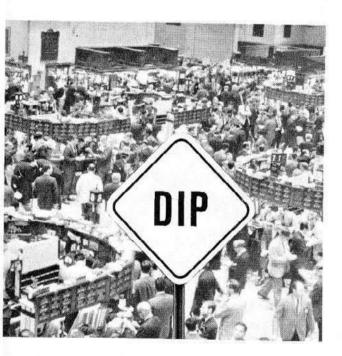


















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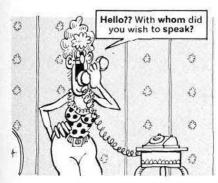










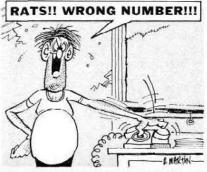












#### INDECENT EXPOSURE DEPT.

In case you haven't noticed, this has been the year on Television for what the Networks like to call "Relevant" programs. What this means is "telling it like it is" on every dramatic show that hits the tube. And what that, in turn, seems to mean is portraying all anti-social misfits as being confused victims of cruel exploiters ranging from greedy grape growers to crooked construction contractors. But have you ever noticed that these

# TRULY "RELEVA

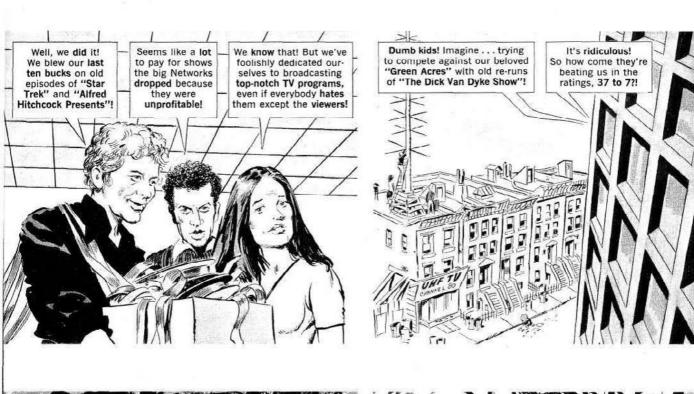




so-called "Relevant" shows never quite get around to taking the worst exploiters of all to task? For some mysterious reason, broadcasters haven't yet discovered a single thing wrong with the Television Industry itself, or the Sponsors that support it! And so, MAD envisions the day when TV finally gets around to scrutinize itself, and finds a whole new source of material for spine-tingling drama. Then, maybe, we'll start seeing some . . .

# NT" TV SHOWS

WRITER: TOM KOCH







## THE MARY TAILOR-MADE SHOW



NOW, Mr. Grump?! There's a plane crashing right outside the building...! That's what I want to talk to you about, Mary! The airlines are big advertisers on this station, so be sure we don't cover the story on "The Six O'Clock News'!



Hey! I hear the Mayor was just arrested for embezzlement!

I didn't hear about that! Did you, Maury? No! I never hear anything bad about the Station Manager's relatives!



I'm going out to lunch! I sure hope that brutal cop downstairs doesn't charge me with loitering and beat me up again! Bite your tongue, Mary! Irresponsible talk like that can blow our good public relations contacts with the Police Department! What's shaping up as our lead story for "The Six O'Clock News", Maury?

A late flash! The biggest company in town just lost its Government Contract and laid off 75,000 workers!

Forget it! I own stock in that firm, and I could lose a bundle if word leaks out before I sell!





That sadistic cop got me again, Mr. Grump . . . ! Nonsense! Don't blame your clumsy falling down on our dedicated men in blue, Mary!

Hey, is the script ready for "The Six O'Clock News"? Yeah! Just one story tonight . . . but we've got 20 minutes of film footage to go with it!



... and here's the news at six! The year's first Robin was sighted in the City Park today, and our award-winning WZZ-TV camera crew was on hand to capture all the color and excitement for this exclusive film report ...



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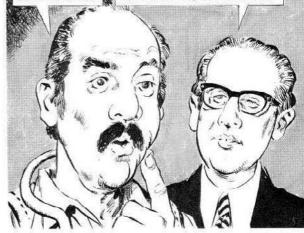
Imagine! Me an
Account Executive!
Who's the client?

Furdley Products! They're introducing a revolutionary new Elbow Deodorant!



Forgive me for asking, T.L.—but who needs an Elbow Deodorant?

EVERYBODY . . . after we've told them on TV that smelly elbows can offend! It's your job to create a demand for the product, you idiot!



... and the commercial ends with the guy using Furdley's Spray-On Elbow Deodorant ... and getting elected Captain of the Football Team! No good!! This stuff costs our company 18¢ a can to make and we're selling it for \$3.98! We need VOLUME SALES!! You goofed, Barney! Anybody who gets rid of smelly elbows has to become MORE than just a Captain of a Football Team!! But I sniffed everybody's elbows on the bus coming home, and there's absolutely no connection between the stench factor and success!

Forget logic and honesty! You're a TV advertising Executive now! You're right! I'll try harder to be a crook tomorrow!





... so now she has fragrant elbows, and the rich Duke who snubbed her before suddenly proposes marriage! You've done it, my Boy! Sex appeal snobbery—greed it's all there!! I'll raise the price to \$4.98! I offer to put you in charge of the entire
Acme Cuticle-Stretcher account ... and you
dare to ask me "Who needs long cuticles?"!
You're demoted back to the Loading Dock!







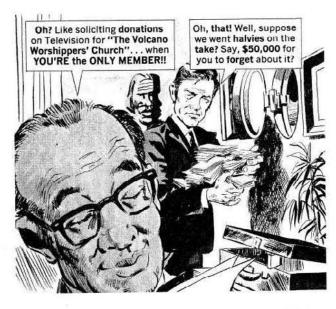


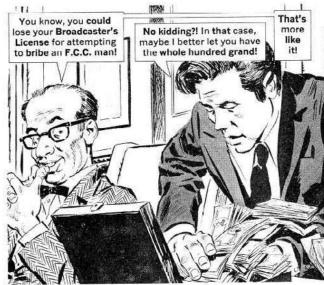
















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Hey, muckraking fans! Here is a fictionalized "MAD" look at what we'd probably find if we were to make a thorough study of the contents of

# RALPH NADER'S WALLET

### Spector & Bobrick

Music Publishers Brill Building New York City

Dear Mr. Nader:-

We are in receipt of your recent letter.

As publishers of "In Your Merry Oldsmobile", we think you've gone out of your gourd, Man!

Your claim that this song is "unsafe" and should not be sung "at any speed" is, like, ridiculous! No doubt about it, Man, you are a "nut" and a "fanatic"!

Groovingly yours, Sam Bobrick Sam Bobrick President

Mrs. Agatha Nader 135 Hamden Road Winstead, Connecticut

Dear Ralph,

You were always my bavorile nephew. I remember as a boy you were always polite, obedient and well-mannered. That is why it is hard for me to understand this sudden change in your behavior.

It was with all good intentions that I invited you to my dinner party last Friday evening. But instead of being grateful you came and embarrassed me in front of all my greats.

First, you claimed that my fruit salad contained monopodium glutamate. and then you had the nerve to stand up and demand the recall of my neathout!

How dare you act in such a boorish

This will not be forgotten, dear nephew! I am seriously considering recycling you in my will!

aunit agatha

## RALPH NADER

"The Nation's Conscience"

Washington, District of Columbia

Dear Mr. Bobrick:

I repeat my claim that your song is "unsafe" and should not be sung "at any speed"--as indeed ALL songs are unsafe and should not be sung at any speed--BY ROCK GROUPS! Rock Groups have a tendency to perform at extremely high decibles, this increasing the already intolerable "noise pollution" that is permeating our atmosphere and posing an increasing danger to our nation's consumers. So you see, I am not a "nut" or a "fanatic"!

Ralph Nader

Ralph Nader

P.S. I have conducted tests on the stationary you use, and have discovered that it is made from trees illogally cut from the Maine forests. Thus, you have contributed to the destruction of our environment. Next time I am in New York City, I will place you and your partner under a Citizen's Arrest!

R.N

# Slik, Imidge and Sellers Public Relations Consultants Washington, D.C.

Ralphie, Baby!

We're in luck!

We've just located another Men's
Haberdasher with a limited supply of "ill-

We suggest that you go there immediately and buy three or four so that you can continue to project that "homespun"-"too-busy-to-care-about-clothes" image to

Also, don't forget to pick up the usual "square" accessories...the 1957 style skinny ties, the drab wash-and-wear white shirts, and the ankle socks with the clocks

Remember, the public digs the image of a simple man wearing ill-fitting clothes.

Look what it's done for our last two Presidents!

Sincerely yours,

Bud E. Sellers

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MAKE OF AUTOMOBILE Are You Kidding?19 OCCUPATION Lawyer, Consumer Crusader, Ecologist, Recaller of Cars, Destroyer of Detergents,

Busy-Body, and Long Shot Presidential Candidate

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, NOTIFY

Me! I'm The only one the country can trust!

NOTES ON SPEECH BEFORE "MARKETING CONVENTION" PAGES and so, let me conclude by saying that there is no excuse for carelessness and deceit. Every corporation and every individual must be held responsible for his actions.

Too many people today attempt to get away with pulling something over on the public for the sake of a buck.

yes, the innocent consumer must be protected, against carelessness, deceit, shoddy business practices, dishonest merchandising, tainted foods and



SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO. Washington, D.C. Branch

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MR. RALPH NADER- ACCT, #2-714-062-N

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Thank you, Ward Montgomery Ward Montgomery, Accounts Division

#### THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY NBC-TV STUDIOS OLIVE STREET BURBANK, CAL.

Dear Mr. Nader:

This time, you've gone too far! We've been hearing about your investigations into television programs, but we didn't believe you were really serious. First, you put down the <u>Galloping Gourmet</u> for violating the "Wholesome Meat Act of 1937". Then, you declared the <u>Partridge</u> Family Bus as "structurally unsafe." And then you shocked Doris Day by claiming her Smile "contained cyclamates."

But now, you've gone beyond all reason with your latest attack. It is utterly ridiculous for you to demand that Ironside rotate the tires on his wheelchair every 13 weeks"!

Sincerely yours,

Chermale Cy Chermak Executive Producer Ironsides

## Things To Do Today!

- 1. Investigate the NBA. Suspected of pumping polluted air into Basket balls.
- 2. Check Kosher Food Industry. Make sure they recall all Gebilte Swordfish.
- 3. Research "Safety In Prisons." Check to see that they install seat belts on all Electric Chairs
- 4. Investigate reports that McDougle Hamburger Stands are recycling their Lettovers as "Hashburgers."
- 5. Go to New York City and kick the G. M. building.
- 6. Then write obscene things on the Chrysler Building.
- 7. Then attend Old Timer's Day at Yankee Stadium and beat up Whitey Ford.

8. Sell the Edsel.

#### ATHLETIC SUPPORTERS DEPT.

Y'know what gets us sore? The annual foolishness perpetuated by the Sports World in awarding countless trophies, All-American honors and Hall of Fame nominations to athletes who have already been subsidized through college so they could turn "pro" and make millions for playing games a few hours a week! Why hand out prizes and praise to those lucky bums when it's the loyal sports fans who really deserve recognition? Whether he's a "professional"



# THE SPORTS SPECTA

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

## PROFESSIO



#### SALTONSTALL CABOT-LODGE III EX-MILLIONAIRE CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

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#### MRS. HARMON HULABALOO MATERNAL SCAPEGOAT TULSA, OKLA.

Mrs. Holabaloo earned the sympathy of the nation and the hatred of her neighbors while grimly attending all 29 Little League games loused up by the rotten playing of her son, Harmon, Jr., last year. Harmon's consistency was a major factor in winning Hall of Fame honors for his mother, having batted .112, fielded .112 and had 112 "accidents" brought on by umpires' repeated refusals to stop play while he rain home to go to the bathroom.



fan" who pays his way into the stadium knowing he'll be fleeced and inconvenienced at every turn, or merely an "amateur" enduring dreary week-ends of TV sports viewing at home, he suffers far more than the players who never have to stand in ticket lines or watch commercials during time-outs. Yessiree, MAD thinks it's high time we started honoring our true heroes, and we hereby nominate these outstanding fans to charter membership in . . .



# TORS' HALL OF FAME

MAL DIVICION WRITER: TOM KOCH



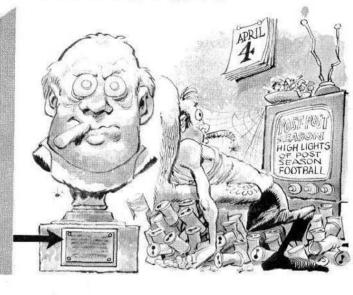
STAN "THE MASOCHIST" KRUSIAL
UNEMPLOYED SNUFF SALESMAN CHICAGO, ILL.
The failure of Comiskey Park's management to
provide adequate parking facilities enabled
Krusial to set a new Major League record in
1970 by having his hub caps swiped 55 times,
his battery heisted 26 times, his entire car
stripped 17 times and stolen completely on 14
occasions. As further evidence of his Hall of
Fame qualifications, Krusial established this
new mark while suffering through all 81 home
games of the Chicago White Sox.



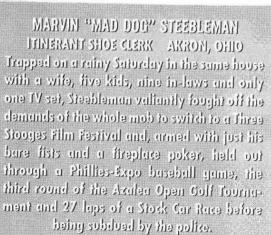
LUTHER "COLD-HARD LUKE" GLENGG
ITNERANT OTTER BREEDER HUMPHREY, MINN,
While attending a December Minnesofa Vikings
home game, re-scheduled from a 5-above-zero
Sunday afternoon to a 20-below Monday night
to accommodate ABC-TV, Glengg became Pro
Football's all-time Champion Frostbite Victim.
His \$16,000 hospital bill for treatment of
double pneumonia and brittle ears surpassed
the old mark of \$13,750 (including funeral
expenses) set by a Green Bay Packer fan caught
in the great End Zone Snow Slide of 1952,

## AMATEUR DIVISION

BRONGO "THE GAPER" MUNISKY
DIVORCED HERMIT MIDE FLANKER, PA.
Set the all-time television endurance record during the Summer-Autumn-Winter-Spring-1970-771 Football Season by watching 116 complete games, 97 dull, predictable pre-game shows and 32 inane post-game wrap-ups. Mijinsky's crowning achievement came on New Years Day when he logged 3 hours 43 minutes of consecutive football viewing, despite the fact that his wife left him to enter a Convent between the Cotton and Rose Bowl Games.

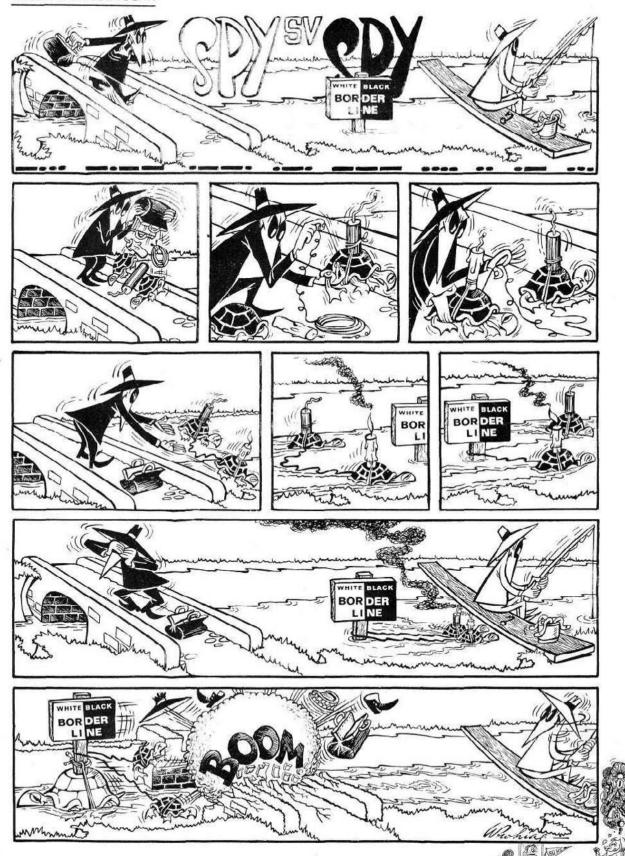








PREVIOUSLY RICH PLUMBER POLYGLAS, FLA.
The only fan to show true appreximition of TV
Sponsors by rushing out and buying everything
hie was commanded to rush out and buy during
the 1970-71 season, Wreich is now the debtridden owner of \$8,000 worth of hair tonics,
deodorants, shave creams and Rocky Graziano's favorite beer . . . in addition to having
made down payments on 34 Dodge Chargers,
21 lawn-mowers and 17 power saws for the
basement workshop he doesn't even have.



BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

## THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

# DROPP

I'm quitting school . . . because with all the good my teachers are doing me, I might as well not go!



Listen, the average person goes through twelve years of public school and four years of college! Yet, in all that time, it usually only takes ONE right teacher who comes along and cares enough to change that person's whole life!



I know! I have such a teacher this year! So speak to him about what you're planning to dol



I did! We're dropping out TOGETHER!!





And what are you doing now?

Getting on-the-job training!

YELLOW GUBMARINE

Why shouldn't
I drop out?
The world is
coming to an
end, anyway!

You hear what kind of defeatist thing your son is saying?



This is the worst generation that ever was! They won't go to school! They won't work! They won't fight for their country, right or wrong! All they do is riot, spread V.D., and blow their minds on drugs!



Who's going to take over from MY generation? Not THEM!! They're SPOILED TOO ROTTEN! They haven't got the DRIVE! They haven't got the AMBITION! They haven't got the NEED!! I tell you, the world as we know it is COMING TO AN END!



See!? You agree with me!



# MGOUT

ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

I'm dropping out of this whole rotten society because all I see is people taking advantage of each other and stepping on each other and hurting each other! No one CARES about anyone else!



Well, I don't want

to be like all them

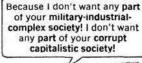
Did you ever realize that by dropping out, you'd be just as rotten as all the others? Because you'd be hurting US, your parents!

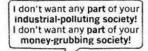


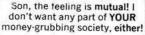
AHHH . . . WHO CARES!?!



Excuse me, Sir! I haven't eaten all day! Could you spare me a dollar? You're young and strong! Why don't you go out and work—like me?!















Gloria! What happened?! Sob—It's Sidney! He—sob—he's DROPPED OUT!



Oh, my God! Him, too! It's an epidemic! A contagious disease! And they all use the same rhetoric...



He says-sob-

he says school

is a jail run

by an obsolete

He says—sob—that nothing he's learning now will be of any value later on, so he's—dropping—sob—out!



FROM NURSERY SCHOOL?!?





Right! I'm dropping out! Let's face it! The only reason I went to college was to avoid the Draft so I wouldn't go to Vietnam!



And to maintain my college deferment, I worked like a dog and did well! I studied Math, Physics, Chemistry



NOW I find out I've got a HERNIA, and the army would never have taken me anyway!!



Can you imagine?! The three years I've spent in college was an ABSOLUTE WASTE!!



Will you get off my back?! You told me yourself that high school graduates are not always mature enough to go to college right away! You told me yourself that I could wait a while before I start college!



That's right! I DID say that, didn't !!



SO GET OFF Okay! Maybe I should! After MY BACK, ALREADY!!



all . . . your back isn't as

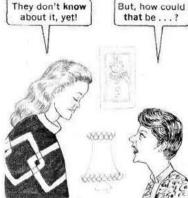
strong as it used to be . .

NOW THAT YOU'RE THIRTY!!



You forgot the keys to the car . . . !







YOU CAN'T DROP OUT!!



Why not?! What if I did finish school, then went out and worked like a dog? What would it get me? An ulcer? Not me! I'm not going to become a slave to the acquisition of material things!



Y'know something? You're right! What did my hard work ever get me? An ulcer! Who needs those material things!? Who needs to buy my kid his own car and his own hi-fi and clothes and food . and give him an allowance?! Yep-I'M DROPPING OUT, TOO!



YOU CAN'T



I went to the State University, and I quickly discovered that everything I was learning was irrelevant and meaningless in today's world! So I dropped out!



Then a group of us drop-outs got together and formed a "Free" University of our own, and we got Professors to teach us meaningful subjects!



How marvelous! And to think that adults are bad-mouthing you youngsters! Why, you're to be admired! Tell me, how is your Free University doing?



I dunno! I dropped out!



I identify with you, my Black brother! That's why I adopted your music, your dress, your language and drug culture!



You come from a "slum ghetto" of the Inner City, and I come from a "golden ghetto" of the Suburbs! We both have one thing in common: DESPAIR! You, the despair of not having enough! And I, the despair of having too much!



That's why I dropped out of my ghetto... to come and share the despair of your ghetto with you!



Listen, Man! I got a much better idea! Let's go back...so's I can share the despair of YOUR ghetto with you!



What's the use of going to school!? Everything we learn is irrelevant! Like what good is it to learn History?!





It's like they're saying . .



"THE PRESENT STINKS . . ."

"AND EVEN THE FUTURE ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE!"



I'm so ashamed! My son dropped out . . . and I'd just like to go and hide! I'm ashamed for my family and my neighbors and—

> You shouldn't be ashamed! Look at it this way . . .



Remember that this "Dropout Disease" happens mostly to kids of successful fathers, and to kids who usually have above average intelligence!



Are you saying that because my son is a failure, it means I'm a success!? Having a kid that drops out is a status symbol?!

You could put it that way!



HEY, CHARLEY! DID YOU HEAR? MY SON IS A DROP OUT!!

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# THE ENTERPRISING YOUNG AMAZON

Listen to me, Dad! Business is just not going to pick up! People aren't interested in shrunken heads anymore! There's nothing you can DO with them! Hang them on the wall for decoration . . . and THAT'S IT!!



We've got to come up with another use for shrunken heads, Dad...a NEW gimmick that people will go for! And I've got just the thing right here...





If you really want to find out how life is going for someone, don't bother to investigate him or tap his phone

# Harry Grepser's NEW YEAR'S

## 1962

- 1. I will try to be a better husband to Marge.
  - 2. I will stop looking at other women.
  - 3. I will not yell at the kids.
  - 4. I will not let my boss push me around.
  - 5. 9 will read at least 20 good books a year.
  - 6. I will not get upset when Charlie and sam make jokes about my baldness.
- (7. 9 will get my weight down below 180.
  - 8. 9 will not take a drink before 5 p.m.
  - 9. I will not spend money frivolously.
  - 10. 9 will see my dentist this year.
  - 11. 9 will go to church every sunday.
  - 12. I will not be so selfdestructive.
  - 13. I will work out at the gym at least twice a week.
  - 14. 9 will follow all of these resolutions to the letter.

### 1965

- 1. 9 will not leave Marge.
- 2. I will not get involved with Wanda.
- 3. I will pay more attention to the kids.
- 4. I will stick up for my rights when my boss bullies me.
- 5. 9 will read at least 10 books a year.
- 6. I will not get annoyed when Charlie and Sam kid me about my toupee.
- 7. 9 will watch my calories until 9 get below 190.
- 8. I will not touch the bottle before noon.
- 9. 9 will pay off my bank loan promptly.
- 10. 9 will have my cavities filled this year.
- 11. I will go to church as often as possible.
- 12. I will stop wrecking my life.
- 13. I will play 18 holes of golf at least once a week.
- 14. I will make a serious effort to follow these resolutions.

# RESOLUTIONS

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

1969

- 1. I will try bor a reconciliation with Marge.
- 2. 9 will not be wound pressure me into another marriage.
- 3. I will visit the kids every sunday.
- 4. I will not let my sadistic boss drive me to the point of suicide.
- 5. 9 will read 5 books a year.
- 6. I will not lose my Temper when charlie and sam tell the guys I wear a girdle.
- 7. 9 will bollow my new diet religiously until 9 get below 200.
- 8. 9 will not become a "problem drinker."
- 9. I will pay off my bank loans promptly.
- 10. I will have my noot canal work done this year.
- 11. I will set aside time each day for prayer and meditation.
- 12. I will work to except the Civing hell I've created for myself.
- 13. I will go to the pitch-and-putt course whenever I can.
- 14. 9 will try to bat .500 with these resolutions.

1962-1972

1972

- 1. I will try to be a better husband to Wanda.
- 2. 9 will stop looking at other women.
- 3. Swill not yell at Wanda's kids.
- 4. 9 will tell Dr. Hodges and the group about my boss.
- 5. 9 will finish "Air port."
- 6. 9 will not speak to Charlie and Sam.
- 7. I will try to develop a realistic attitude about my weight.
- 8. 9 will not miss any AA meetings.
- 9. 9 will begin making a strong effort to get out of debt by 1915.
- 10. I will get rid of my desture breath this year.
- 11. I will try to catch the late night sermonette on TV.
- 12. I will accept the fact that some men are winners and others are Cosers.
- 13. I will improve my game of bridge.
- 14. 9 will learn to live with my weaknesses.

If you're a "TV Late Show" film buff, you're probably aware of the important roles certain "props" played in old movies. In fact, some of these "props"

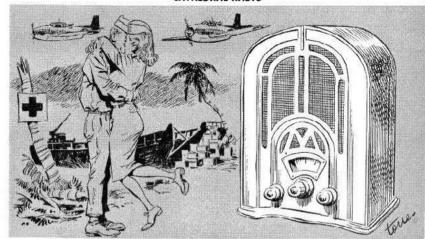
# A MAD GUID SHOW" CLICH

#### MONSTER MOVIE TORCH



Always used by hunchback-assistant to antagonize monster . . . and always used again later on by villagers to track down monster-murderer of hunchback-assistant and other assorted victims.

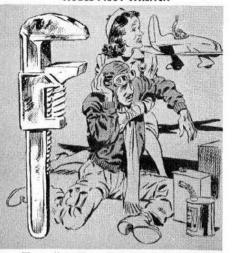
#### CATHEDRAL RADIO



Device used to interrupt love scenes ... and engagements ... with announcement that the Japanese have attacked Pearl Harbor. Hero and heroine defer

marriage plans until the world can be made a better place to live. At film's end, they are reunited in Guadalcanal -he's a Navy pilot and she's a nurse.

#### NOBLE PILOT WRENCH



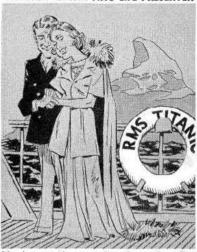
Test pilots Tom and Jim both love Sue. One of them has to test the dangerous X-14. Jim, convinced that Sue loves Tom, pretends to let him take up the X-14. But when Tom looks up to check the weather, Jim hits him on the head with the prop wrench, takes the X-14 up himself, and is never seen again.

#### **BROKEN AMULET NECKLACE**



Handsome Arab beggar boy defies death by scaling wall of Caliph's palace in wild attempt to reach Princess who he loves. Evading guards, he finally gets to her, only to discover . . by fitting together their broken amulet necklaces . . . that they are brother and sister! Love affair is over before it begins.

#### TRAGEDY-IDENTIFYING LIFE PRESERVER



Used several ways for dramatic effect. For example, we see a wreckage-strewn oily sea. Prop life-preserver floats by It says . . "Lusitania"! Or we see a young honeymoon couple smooching on deck. They move off, revealing ship's name on prop life-preserver. The poor kids! They're sailing on the "Titanic"!



were used so often, they actually achieved "cliché" status. For those of you who don't know what in heck we're talking about, we now present this article:

# E TO "TV LATE É MOVIE PROPS ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES WRITER: PAUL PETER PORG

#### SUSPENSION MICROPHONE



Used effectively by the Announcer at the ballpark to tell the little boy with the fatal illness who's lying in the hospital, holding the autographed baseball, that the Slugger has hit one over the fence just for him-bringing on a sudden miracle cure for the boy.

#### THIS-WILL-MAKE-YOU-TALK HYPODERMIC NEEDLE



After brutal torture has failed, the sadistic Nazi officer has one method left to make Allied undercover agent reveal location of Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters and the time, place and size of upcoming invasion of Europe: the injection of - gasp - truth serum!

#### TIN CUPS, TIN PLATES AND UTENSILS



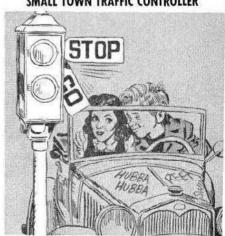
Invariably used by inmates in Prison pictures to bang on mess hall tables and clang across cell bars to register their dissatisfaction with the lousy food, the indifferent Warden, the cruel guards, the intolerable working conditions, and the impossible script.

#### **BAIL OF NEWSPAPERS**



This prop is invariably dropped from a truck at the feet of our hero who, as the newsstand dealer cuts the string, learns by the headlines that (1) the killer he'd helped convict (who swore revenge) has escaped from prison, or (2) the girl he was with last night is dead, and he's wanted for her murder!

#### SMALL TOWN TRAFFIC CONTROLLER



Humorous romantic prop used in family comedies so Andy could stop his jalopy and kiss Polly while sign changed from stop to go to stop to go to stop to-

#### **RE-BREATHING BAG**

Invaluable in helping lay movie fans follow the progress of an operation. Everything is going along fine while bag expands and contracts regularly. will snap off rubber gloves and throw Any faltering or collapse is signal them to the floor in disgust while the for Surgeon to whisper, "Quick, Nurse Nurse solemnly pulls a sheet over body.

- the adrenalin!" If injection works, bag will resume expansion and contrac-tion. If bag remains deflated, Surgeon will snap off rubber gloves and throw

#### **EXTENSION TELEPHONE**



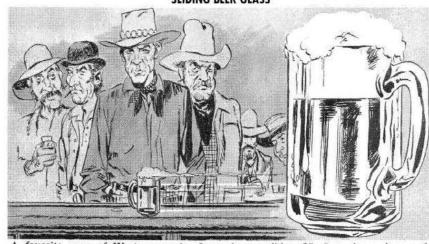
Usually grabbed by Old Timer in green eyeshade who calls ahead and stops the "Cannonball Express" from crossing the dynamited trestle. Sometimes grabbed by hotshot City Editor who yells, "Stop the press! We're re-making Page One!"

#### EASILY-SMASHED MIRROR



It's a sure bet that at some point in the big Broadway Star's career, she'll reach that low point when she'll look at herself in the mirror, filled with self-contempt and loathing, and fling her whisky glass at her reflection . . . smashing the mirror into smithereens. However, like mirror, her life will be almost impossible to put back together.

#### SLIDING BEER GLASS



A favorite prop of Western movies for bringing the noisy festivities in the saloon to a dead stop, the heer glass

always slides 30 feet down bar and comes to rest right in front of tall lonesome stranger who just walked in.

#### **PAINTING WITH EYEHOLES**



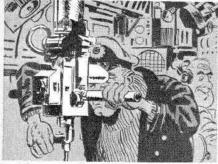
You can bet your life that in almost or heroine will be spied upon through every mystery-horror film that takes the cut-out eyes of the old portrait place in a creepy old house, our hero hanging over the fireplace . . . or bed.

#### BROADWAY-BOUND DANCING SHOES



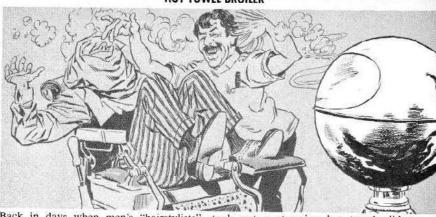
together in a barn. Our hero, wearing two-tone prop shoes, knocks everybody dead with his dance routine including famous talent scout who just happened to be out front. Shoes are then shown dancing across country in a series of montage shots, bound for Broadway and that big break at the Palace Theater.

#### "AMERIKANISCHER SCHWEINHUND" PERISCOPE



After several touching scenes aboard the troop transport in which the boys have exchanged memories, jokes, bits of homespun philosophy and photos of loved ones, film always cuts suddenly to this prop. Look for the evil Nazi Sub Commander, followed by a torpedo.

#### **HOT TOWEL BROILER**



Back in days when men's "hairstylists" were known as "barbers," they not only cut hair, but they also shaved people. In comedy films, the fun started when

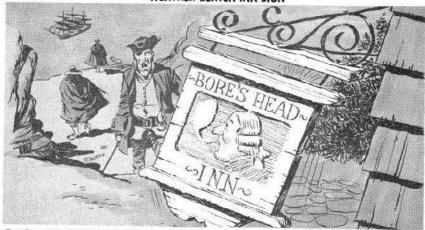
took out a steaming hot towel, did a little painful dance, and dropped it on the face of a prone and helpless villain like a crusty bank president, the barber turned to the broiler prop, a skinflint landlord or a city slicker.

#### **TELL-TALE CIGARETTE BUTT**



Main character always spots prop when dropping in unexpectedly. If the main character is a detective, it means he surprised the girl and the murderer. If the main character is a woman, the butt is usually lipstick-smeared, and it means her lover is cheating on her.

#### WEATHER-BEATEN INN SIGN



Creaky old gimmick that's always used to establish the scene (usually on the English coast) where the smugglers or the ship-wreckers are meeting to make

plans or split the swag. You can bet that the sign will be swinging wildly in a torrential downpour and suddenly illuminated by a flash of lightning.

#### SLOWLY ROTATING CEILING FAN



Always used for setting the scene in more oppressive the heat (and the plot)

either a steaming tropic jungle or the becomes. Look for intrigue, treachery, Casbah. The slower the fan turns, the spies, murder - and Sidney Greenstreet.

#### TUMBREL CART

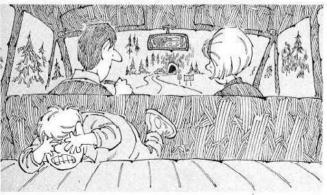


Prop wagon always scen in movies about French Revolution. It was used to carry condemned to Guillotine and was geared to move painfully slow to give inhuman jeering crowd an opportunity to hurl insults at prisoner, and also to give prisoner time to do a final voice-over

— like maybe, "Tis a far, far better
thing I do than I have ever done . . ."

# You Know You're REALLY

You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When ...



... you understand how your car is going to get through that tiny little tunnel way up the road ahead.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When ...



... you always recognize the things under your bed, and you're not afraid to go to sleep at night.

## You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you don't have to wait around for someone to open the peanut butter jar when you're hungry.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... your legs don't stop halfway to the floor when you're sitting down, and you don't have to get a stool to reach the light switch.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you just go to the Bank if your allowance isn't big enough ... and they give you more.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you can display all your "collections" and they're not thrown out or called "junk".

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you have lots of excuses for playing with the hose and getting all wet.



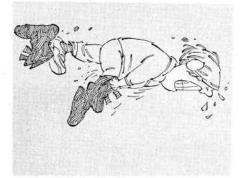
WRITER: ALIS ELLIS ARTIST: PAUL COKER, JR.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



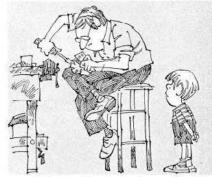
... you can keep anything you want in your dresser drawers.

## You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



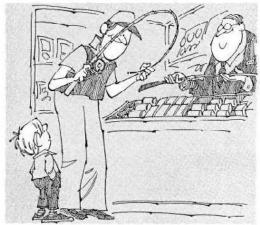
... your feet quit outgrowing your shoes, and your shoes quit outgrowing your boots.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... nobody yells at you when you break something, and you know how to fix it.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you can buy all the toys you want.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



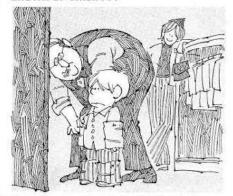
... you act up at a party, you're something called the "life" of it ... and you don't have to go back the next day to apologize for your behavior.

#### You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you can make up, and nobody yells at you to wash your face.

## You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you can buy clothes that fit you now... instead of six months from now.

## You Know You're REALLY GROWN UP When . . .



... you can stay as clean as you like, and go outside in your best clothes without getting dirty.

## DISTINCTIVE BIRTH

WRITER

#### FROM A WOMEN'S LIB MEMBER

Mrs. Wilma Flensch
announces resentfully
that, after suffering
through nine months of an uncomfortable
pregnancy, culminating in 37 hours
of labor and a difficult delivery in order
to satisfy the male chauvinistic
paternalism of her husband Harold,
she has given birth to a daughter
Floyd

July 29, 1971

#### FROM BELIEVERS IN BIRTH CONTROL



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whiffle their faith in medical science shaken if not destroyed completely are stunned to announce the birth of a daughter Ova May 20, 1971

#### FROM A HORSE-PLAYER



Mr. & Mrs. Charlie ("Odds") Gritzlik
are pleased to announce
that they've just hit an 87 to 1
longshot
namely twins
Dwayne Damascus
and
Arthur Nashua

August 5, 1971

#### FROM AN ASTROLOGER



Mr. & Mrs. Arcturus Shapiro
regret to announce the birth
of a Cancer=Leo cusp
with Aries rising, the moon in Sagittarius,
Mars in Scorpio, and Saturn in opposition
to Mercury, Jupiter, Neptune and Pluto

July 23, 1971



#### FROM A DOG KENNEL OWNER

Mr. Oscar Roy Haverstraw is pleased to announce that his wife, Penelope has whelped a six pound, nine ounce bitch Ionnifer

June 26, 1971



#### FROM AN HISTORIAN

Mr.1 and Mrs.2 Esterhazy2 are pleased to announce the hirth of a son, Boris

October 14, 19716

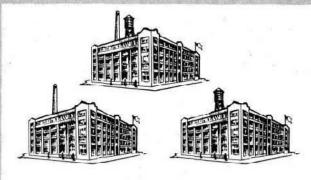
- George, Ernestine, No relation to French army officer Ferdinand Esterhazy, who figured prominently in the Dreyfus Affair.

  At Mercy Hospital, 5th floor, Delivery Room B.

  After Boris III, ruler of Bulgaria (1918-1943).

  Nine hundred and fifth anniversary of the Battle of Hastings, in which William the Conqueror led the Normans against the Saxons, under Harold, and won, after an entire day's fighting, a decisive victory, in fact the most important of the Norman Conquest of England, which led to massive changes in English politics, trade, architecture, religion and way of life.

#### FROM A COMPANY MAN



The Ajax Group Whose Holdings Include Pitkin Foundaries, T & R Roofing Tiles, the Acme Tool & Die Works, Folsom's Aluminum Sidings, and Wembley's Industrial Detergents proudly announces the acquisition of a son John Ajax to management trainee Byron Brumly August 1, 1971

#### FROM A MEDIUM



Madame Olya and her husband Max the Mystic are profoundly awe 1 to announce the reincarnation Alexander the Great

Six pounds, seven ounces July 11, 1971

#### FROM A CAREER ARMY OFFICER



Freen, Major Julius Augustus, West Point '61
tactically supported by
Freen, Henrietta Dorothy, wife
announces the birth, Caesarian
of
Freen, Dwight Douglas Ulysses, West Point '93

Freen, Dwight Douglas Ulysses, West Point '93 Infant, male, bouncing, 8 pounds, 3 ounces

5 August 1971



#### FROM AN UNWED MOTHER

Miss Phoebe Muldoon is happy to announce the birth of an additional weekly Welfare payment of \$47,50

> City Hospital July 2, 1971

#### FROM A PSYCHIATRIST

Dr. Sigmund Pomerantz
is gratified to reveal
that his wife, Wanda,
having rid herself of her deep-rooted fears
of maternity brought about in childhood by
resentment and suppressed hostility toward her
schizophrenic mother and her paranoic father,
has given birth to a daughter
Sigmunda

April 30, 1971

#### FROM A POST OFFICE EMPLOYEE

MR. & MRS. FELIX SLEED
ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THE BIRTH
OF A DAUGHTER
LAVINIA

OCTOBER 14, 1956

#### FROM A MOVIE PRODUCER



His Territying Screams Pierced The Dark Of Night!

He Was An Uncontrollable Creature Who Knew What He Wanted And Knew How To Get It! Would They Give In To His INSATIABLE DEMANDS?

### SUDDENLY IT'S

STARRING

Dr. Quincy Fernfeather

WITH

Nurse Elma Forbush

AND

The Maternity Ward Staff Of St. Theresa's Hospital

PRODUCED AND DIRECTED BY

Mr. & Mrs. Harry Waxwire

BASED ON AN IDEA

Mrs. Waxwire

PREMIERE: MAY 3, 1971

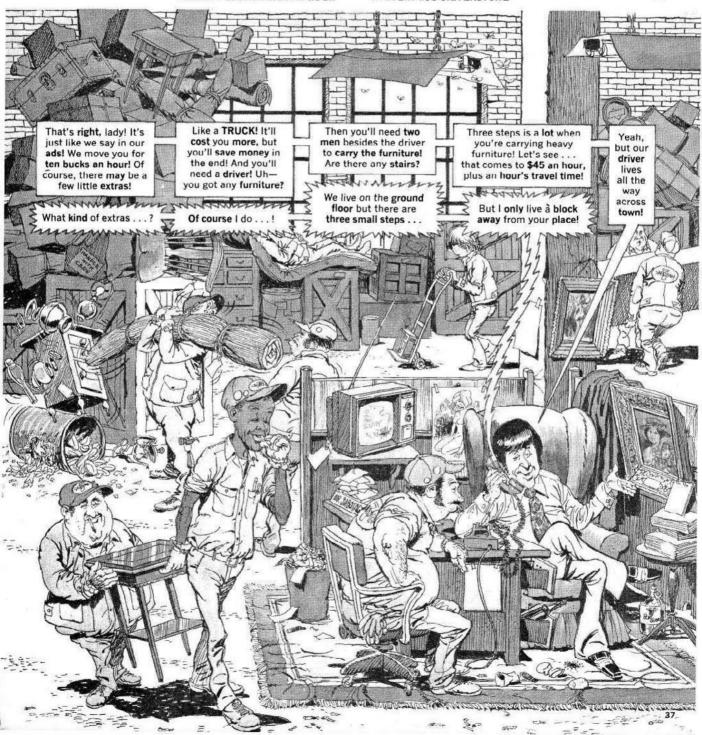
#### FROM AN ACCOUNTANT

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Windrush are pleased to announce the birth of an exemption Donna Sue at a cost of \$1,411.75 of which \$903.54 is deductible. May 24, 1971

## A MAD PEEK BEHIND THE SCENES AT A MOVING COMPANY

ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE







# A Mad Guide To The Poli

ARTIST: BOB CLARKE

#### PRESIDENT NIXON SNOW



Comes down thick and heavy, especially during news conferences. Covers almost all vital issues with a blanket of pat answers. Tends to drift to the right no matter which way wind is blowing.

#### PENTAGON SECURITY THAW



Shows up whenever the winds that blow away appropriations start to stir. The thick coat of ice around the Pentagon softens, and information leaks appear which show how far we are behind the Russians in ICBM and ABM strength.

#### WILLIAM **FULBRIGHT GUSTS**



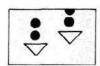
These chronic blasts of wind are most prevalent near Washington, D.C., where residents have come to regard them as part of the unavoidable drawbacks of the area. They are said to be capable of blowing over half the U.S. Senate.

#### MARTHA MITCHELL GALES

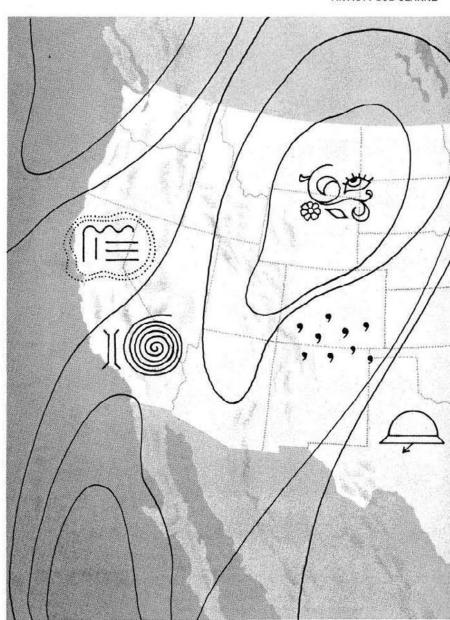


These explosions of hot air most often develop after a series of FULBRIGHT GUSTS. Completely unpredictable, the blasts are prone to dissipate after a short period of time, wasting their energy by blowing in all directions.

#### FIDEL CASTRO RAIN



Similar to the rain that has fallen on Russia for years, this downpour hits with such force that raised voices in opposition cannot be heard. Recently, it has been casting a shadow over the rest of the Caribbean . . . particularly on those islands which do not have the protection of a nuclear umbrella,



#### AGNEW THUNDER



These menacing rumbles are constantly exploding over critical areas of the country, especially when the criticism is directed against the Administration. Sometimes drowned out by a LIBERAL SQUALL, its noise is almost always followed by a storm of NIXON SNOW.

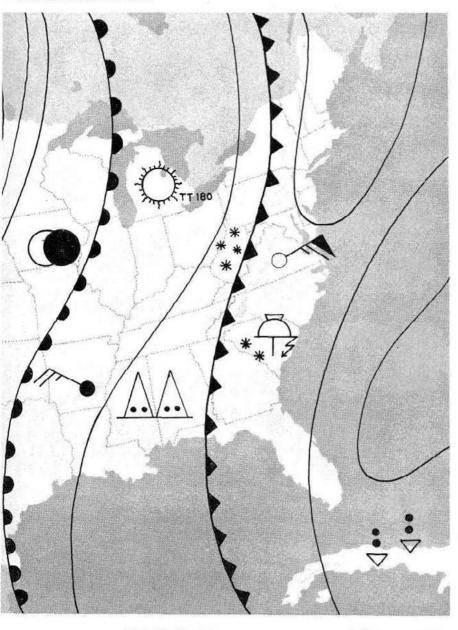
#### FONDA TORNADO



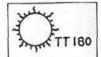
Blowing from an inconsequential breeze into a howling whirlwind, it lashes out at anything trying to block its path. Although its actions were once thought to be controlled by a superior form of intelligence, its recent radical left movements have disproved that theory.

# tical Climate Of The U.S.

WRITER: MICHAEL L. WREN

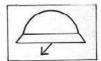


#### RALPH NADER HEATWAVE



This hot spell has afflicted Detroit for some time, causing many residents of that city to sweat profusely. Now, a strange native ritual termed "recall" is being practiced by some in hopes of driving off the awful demon.

#### HARD HAT STORM



This dangerous reaction is caused by abrasive contact with conflicting elements from the opposite pole! Can grow violent even when passing near to such elements, and often causes cranial and body injuries to be felt by the unwary.

#### TIMOTHY LEARY FOG



This dangerous abberation occurs most often on or near campuses or communes. Hazardous to visibility and perception, it has caused many kids who have been trapped in it to completely lose touch with reality and the surrounding world.

#### GENE McCARTHY DRIZZLE



Once thought to be the source of great currents and tides, it has dwindled to a little-noticed cloud, drifting about the Democratic Party. Its occasional drops are but a shadow of the violent storm it caused in the Midwest in '68.

#### RONALD REAGAN SMOG



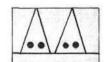
Irritating to the nose and ears, this odorous screen, made up of old gas and smoke, hangs over the State of California by an inversion of common sense. Unless it is blown away by an influx of fresh air, the only remedy appears to be the steady attrition of time.

#### STOKELY CARMICHAEL ECLIPSE



Attempts to blot out all white light in its vicinity, leaving only a dark void across the land. While some think that this absence of white light will eradicate certain cancerous diseases, most have noticed that such an action simply creates new ones in their place.

#### GEORGE WALLACE SLIME



Most prevalent in the South and other Conservative areas, this scourge begins low and then rises to cover heads with a bitter white cloak. It is especially prone to sink into cracks and gaps and push them further apart, creating great obstacles for racial bridge-builders.

#### RAT-PACKING THEM IN DEPT.

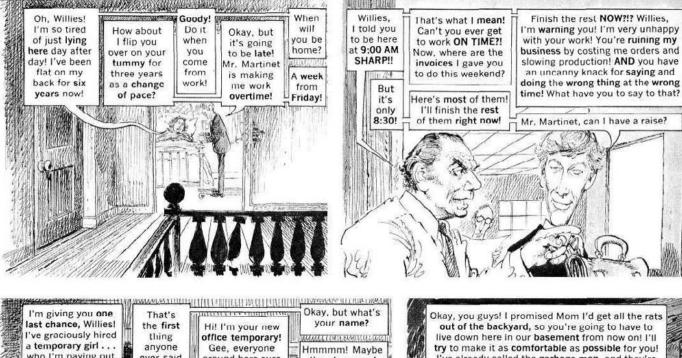
Every once in a while, a movie comes along that makes you feel crawly all over! Every once in a while, a movie comes along that's so disgusting, it makes you climb the walls . . . that's so nauseating, it makes you scream in hysteria . . . that's so sickening, it makes you run from the theater, retching. We're talking, of course, about "Love Story"! But since we did that one already, here is MAD'S version of another recent movie . . . one that simply gives you the . . .

ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER

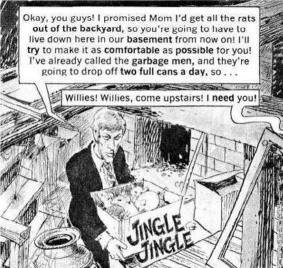
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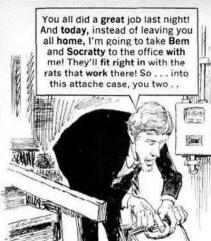


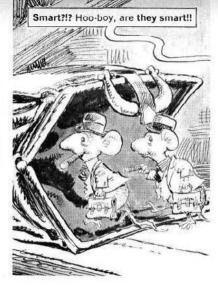






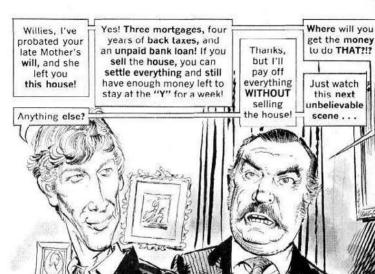


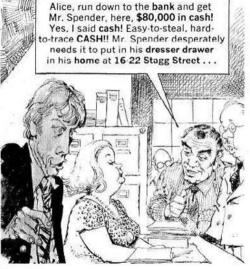


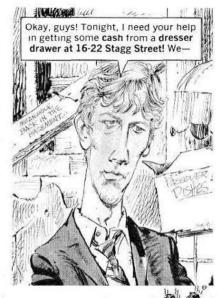






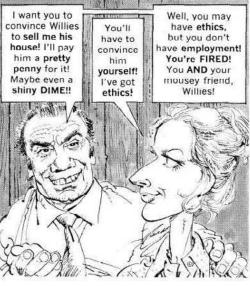








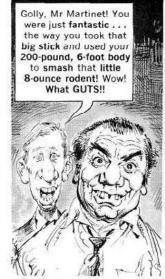


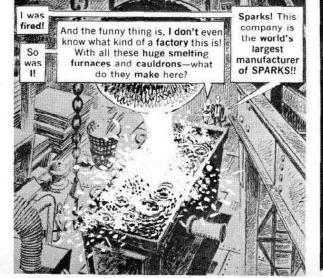












Bem, I'm—I'm furious about what happened to Socratty! I think it's about time we all paid a little visit to Mr. Martinet's office! Get the message . . . ? ?









WHAT RECENT BY-PRODUCT OF AMERICAN INDUSTRY IS WINNING THE PUBLIC'S CONFIDENCE?

#### HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

## **MAD FOLD-IN**

Throughout history, many unforeseen and unintentional developments have changed the course of business in America. Recently, however, an unexpected bi-product of our industrial community has captured the public's imagination. To find out what it is, fold in the page.



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ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE RECENTLY, CONSUMERS ALL ACROSS OUR GREAT NATION, TIRED OF CONSTANTLY HAVING TO SQUANDER LOOT ON POORLY-MADE PRODUCTS, HAVE REACTED POSITIVELY TO THE APPEARANCE OF A NEW AND HOPEFUL BI-PRODUCT OF AMERICAN INDUSTRY

# WHEN JOHNNY COMES MARCHING HOME AGAIN

